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epithets-evidently, from the tone in which they were uttered, intended to be complimentary. seemed to imply, was entering the room, but a overseen overseers. superb girl of eighteen or nineteen, as tall and fleet-looking, and almost as slender, as Diana's pired. Colonel Roches aurice, Constance's every feature an expression of indignant pride. which would not have misbecome that heroine but very shapely youth, whose height, and age, too, apparently, scarcely exceeded hers. He

would have been, like her, uncommonly handsome, but for the unnatural paleness which discolored his fine, earnest, oval, olive face—a

done neither so well nor sill as she might have
done. The influences of a gentle and gental
home, invaluable to a rice but wayward nature closed, he grew, if possible, whiter.

sand dollars, niggers and all."

must have ! "

other night?" "Got tight?"

couldn't get along without her 'dear friends,' under it a kingly young lion! his brother and sister. He must have some brass to speak to a Southerner after it, a lady

"Hallo, Miss Blaise. I'm not ready for you vet. You know Miss Aspenwall, don't you? Present me to her first, will you?" "Miss Aspenwall, Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones.

Miss Aspenwall." "May I have the pleasure?" said Mr. Jones.

extending his arm. "I thank you, sir. I never waltz."

"Oh, then, you don't know how much you every scruple to the winds; and"____

and what you are to me! And that I offer you out to her some sacrifice which she could make a heart not worthy of such a prize as yours; some service which she could render to it! whose could be? But, if there is no tenderness there were only Clorindas now, how she would in yours to plead for it, I must say for myself, a rush to Mexico, and avenge the loss which sh true, fresh, loyal heart, at least, ready and eager to serve you to the death, second only to | iant brother's death ! "If she had been a mar the God who made you; and to love you, only, she would have conquered for it this whole cof I dare not say, less than Him-but only too well; and you trample it in the dust beneath your feet, turn upon me, and cast me down at one stroke from the threshold of heaven to hell, and reject me; not, as you have a full and unquestioned right to do, with womanly gentleness and consideration, due both to your char-

his low and hurried words had brought back exalted nation. into his face, and the sort of indignant tenderness that glowed in it, made him perfectly beautiful. Constance's bosom heaved for an was a haughty and resolute woman.

"Perhaps it is not." ask an explanation."

Poor fellow! If he had not been the most delicate and generous of lovers, he might have instinctively, as most persons of fine femini-

ring girl could grant. "Of the manner of it, I do."

"You shall have it."

"When? I have pressed you far enough

already, for such a place as this."

"You have, indeed!"

"Oh, Miss Aspenwall!" "To-morrow morning, if you please, at half past eleven."

"Will you allow me to inquire for your coach ?" " No, I thank you. Mr. Van Rooselandt i

CHAPTER II. The Knight's Lady.

" A daughter of the gods, divinely tall, And most divinely fair." - Transson. "Etre la destinée voilée d'un grand hor séduit la femme, comme file suffit au génie des

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very high flows, and, so the would have said with pride, a very high a listed girl; or, muche ought to have felt, with shame; a very hightempered girl. She was an orphan. Her only brother had thought him all summoned by the lose of glory and of his jountry, to leave her, in the year 1847, and go and try to shoot come CHAPTER I—Continued.

"Good gracious," ejaculated the disconflied Bobby, coloring up to the tips of his gloves.

"Served her right for eves-dropping?" rejoined Mr. Jack Robinson, who was, like a mosquito, very venomous for one of his size.

In the mean time, the supper room was pouring up its tide into the drawing rooms again, like a reflex wave from the Spouting Horn; and a few skirmishing waltzes were preluding the last grand engagement.

"Jove, what a stunner!"

"A screamer! Who is it?"

Neither a pugilist nor a town-crier, as these entitlets—evidently, from the tone in which they little sisters fatherless at d brotherless, he left little sisters fatherless and brotherless, he left his own, crying bitterly, to the rearing of stran though certainly a little alarming if employed gere, and his negroes, criting more bitterly and to characterize feminine attributes -would have with more reason, to the ender mercies of un

spear, and just now, at least, looking almost as cousin, and guardian of Ler property, conscien sharp and fatal. Her outline was as oriental as Rebecca's; and she seemed to breathe from place the management of it in new hards; bu that was all that he fon time to do in regard which would not have misbecome that heroine when she threatened to dash herself down from the battlements. At her side moved a slender but very shapely youth, whose height, and age, that the proceeds were profitably invested. Constance herself, in he mean while, had

paleness made the more conspicuous by the bight blackness of his moustache, and thick flat curls, and the almost blackness of his burning, brown eyes. They passed, speaking little, and in tones too low to be heard above the amount of spelling, aritimetic, and languages, general outcry of conversation about them. and learned to draw and aint a little, and play He looked much at her; she straight on, with and sing magnificently. he was not generally a gaze which seemed to pierce the very walls beloved by her schoolmees, because she did and the future before her. When her lips un. not generally love them; though she always had one or two retainers, bo admired her beau-"I know who it must be! Miss Constance ty, applauded her spirit, hared her lavish al-Aspenwall, of South Carolina. She was to be lowance of pocket money, and until she fell here. They say she's worth four hundred thou-ber, as they could hardly telp being; for, when "Put it up to a million, while you're about she allowed herself to fi gentle and fond, all it, Bob. But, by George, what a temper she the concentrated warmth of her natural disposition burst forth and was ned the few on whom "Don't want such a short partner, I suppose," it fell, as the Jane sun is ottest when it breaks said Mr. Bob Jones, unrolling; and drawing through a hole in the conds on an overcast ase of some unusually ill-behaved lady or through his most cherished disions, the moup his back—six feet of skin and bone—as day. She wished to be a queen among her tentleman, who died suddenly, or perversely on which he had been lounging. "Guess I to rebels, though her of dient subjects found shall have to try my luck. If she's cross, in her a powerful and be steous protectress.

Alas, poor youth! He Nemesis stalks at "Hallo! Why, that's Herman Arden with your beels, picking up our every fault, and her! It's a perfect tableau of Judith and sowing it, to raise a hart at of sorrow for your Holofernes! Do you know what he did the reaping in after days! H weach of your pecca- ot positive. It forbade her to commit any the sake of the things. She felt, and did dilloes grows up into a http:// And how are you take a Promoter and, if she refrained not think; he felt, but the she tangle and knot the thread of which the web of mortal life which she anticipated little difficulture. The was nasty sneaking Abolition speech at a caucus." all your earthly life—the only life for which most of us care much now-is woven! Such! "The deuce, I suppose. I wonder he dares as Constance had been in her school, such she i as her du show himself anywhere among genteel people. came out of her school, and, thinking to bend trine of He might have known Mrs. Mydass didn't want a playful, caressing kitten to her will, laid the brotherh him here, and only asked him because she full weight of her girlish hand, on what rose short, she sjust as much of a Christian as she proud consciousness of it, gave her an outward

urably superior to them all. They were frivo. thes; and he thought the most victorious of cruel in speech, as he never was; but her poutlous, girlish, childish. Their thoughts ran on warriors, inquering for his country in any ing lips knew not how to france a lie. She was dress and admirers; and it had never occurred cause, right or wrong, the greatest of heroes extremely vain, but she could not condescend to her to ask herself whether the indifference. for which she gave herself credit, on these points, for, like ost women, (and men, too,)* she was not the mere apathy of satiety—a satiety had yet learn to think. She took for her was not the mere apathy of satiety-a satiety which met her at nursery parties and summer watering places, long before her regular debut, and for worship the first idols, provided They had no such aspirations as her's. She had a only that ey had pretty names engraven on soul all on fire with what stood in her mind for are losing! One turn with me will whirl the love of country; and the South stood in "You will have the good less to excuse me, thousand slaveholders for the South. The de out; but and her country had both sustained in her vatinent, from the pole to the isthmus; nay, per haps to Cape Horn-bigness standing in he mind for greatness—a rare mistake! but par donable in a school-girl-and then, mighty it counsel as in arms, she would have consof should have been offered her by her grateff

The South-meaning again the council of way up be themselves successful professionthree hundred thousand—should govern it, c'es. al and litical men—youths whose minds had instant; for she was a girl, and not a heartless it. The supple and putillanimous, but ingenior : girl-but it was only for an instant; for she and industrious, North, should be kept out of mischief, and suitably employed in fetching, ca. appreciating, spinning, and breaving, for it; and sil paid k. " Of your rejection I do not claim a right to within its borders should have been beautiful order, dominion, and glory-if she had been A man. Being not a man, however, she shratclaimed all the right to ask it, that could be natures will, from wishing herself one, as a kind given him by all the tacit acceptance of his to sin against her nature. She turned from to ty, at epelled and frozen with icy looks and tacit wooing, which a most maidenly and retiher castle in the air, and set another lord up 1 at th

it in her place, thus: When she was emuncipated from her school and left behind her he prosaic and grovelling companions and teachers; who could not on much as understand her, far less sympathic with her, she expected to emerge, of cours. like other heroines, into an appreciating sed admiring world, all whose unmarried men word at once throw thems lves at the feet of a croature endowed with such wealth, rank, intelled, spirit, and beauty. Most of her suitors wo'd be too far beneath her for anything but is very scorn to stoop to; but among them th' would still be one giorious kindred spirit, w ing only for the inspiration of her ardor, lov ! ness, devotion, and sympathy, to prove himself le agir par sa main, grandir dans son sort, briller

to silies

Constant, however, was not aware that she without in the least dreaming a such a thingas is an mant of wisdom, nor yet did she such things will happen sor stimes she had bnaider I self to be living in the least like fallen in love with Herman A cen! p of once. Now and then, too, there might were unlike in this—that when he stood ready to tear his way in all direct ons, save one,

I do wrong however, to say that she thought; to flirt nor to be flirted with. first ideas that came in her way, opinion f

Consts e, in due time, quite grew up, (to of five feet eight inches,) and came out ; but he found the world without the walls

the hig arn, as she was pleased, for want of a versit were slowly and surely working their t once, for mere want of the habit of society unworthy of her socieoth, except an aunt whose home was in Is more, but whose husband's business carri ; sim frequently to Paris, she had never retur ; to her native State since she left it. and with few young planters. Of these, fewe all appeared to her to be very liberally educt 1; and some were even addicted to

stan in them, and committing other offences any omnibus or car that runs four or five miles a large stock. Their vote, should in part elect we found and left them. y carnestly, but hesitatingly, stiltily, and with of mea somewhat painfully overtasking their stoop for once to court p pularity—should do the stoop for once to court p pularity—should do alighting from the car or omnibus, enter the sading room, and for the argument of the Demay yearerday's Post or Courier; for that of the lus which her commanding energies should give be seen Daily Advertiser; or per-

would he ser own will to obey him her might too numerous to mention, ag it set the idioms of him Commander-in-chief of the American army. too numerous to mention, ag it ist the idioms of the more magnificent self; and the tamable, won at lest, would exult in nacular, besides further emball ishing the communication of their ideas by a peaking English with what may be termed the Guines accent, introducing from time to time, pertain startling guttural intonations, evidently learned while the only common end towards which all men organs of speech were still plant, in conference with sable masters and mistry green not of the cultivated class of negroes. In the nace them down, it may be, with note them down, it may be, with note and then the mask drops off the American army. Herman, also, had his secret day-dreams, in which love, patriotism, and glory, figured large ly, though it remains to be seen how far they could be made to coincide with her's. God is introducing from time to time, pertain startling guttural intonations, evidently learned while the only common end towards which all men and women can press forward, side by side, and over nearer to one another, in harmonious, concentric, cenverging lines; most other objects that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall. Herman on the night before that of the hall herman on the night before that of the hall herman on the night before be late. I strike them down, it may be, with the own of the strike them down, it may be, with the own of the strike them down, it may be, with the own of the strike them down, it may be, with the strike them down, it may be strike the strike them down the strike them down the strike them down the

them, the pre deed, and cannot rise again, and good hearts, were much distincted with what to men of all parties, his maiden speech. All they heard, if they did not of a ce to see, of her sorts of opinions were expressed about it, of unamiable and unwarrants it contempt for course—according to the notions previously with the ghosts of hopes, to haunt us, in ar lone! yours, with those "addest of words, it might have been !?" How should the aposition crisers have that the helmeted page is Why should be not clench his and against him? How can Penelth and against him? How can Penelth was readering supplicant on her laydown for the benefit of their own, can is other suitors slay him? How can least those who live in a world if their own, can is other suitors slay him? How can least those who live in a world in the world of other suitors slay him? How can least those who live in a world in the world of other suitors slay him? How can least the suitors of the pearers. The radicals conservatives as seditions; the soid decant to make it in the minds of the hearers. The radicals the slive in the minds of the hear in it, and it least lime provided it as time-serving; the soid decant to make it in the minds of the hear stignatized it as time-serving; the soid decant to make it in the minds of the hear in it, and it least lime suitors, which I have been in it, and it least lime suitors, which I have least lime suitors, which I have least lime suitors, wh

bd upbrz doth not; and it shall be given bim." and felt thoroughly amiabl, charmed, and with whom he always ate his Sunday beef when and though this promise probably refers more charming. There were or 1 two brothers he preached in town, and enchant her with the rectly to esidom in the management of one's among them, however; and saward, the old assurance that, if Herman could but indoctrinate eavenly than one's earthly affairs, yet the two est, was too indolent and picurean; and the other youth of the country with his spirit of re closs is sonnected; and heavenly wisdom. Herman, the other, too little proposing, too litcould ce willy save us from the most lament. the stern and mysterious, and though two years would do as great a work as Washington's, free ble of cu, arthly errors, and from those bit- her senior in age, too young , all his ways for the slaves and masters at the same time, and erest of the sets which come, when we discover her almost despaired of her and where to cement the Union more indissolubly than ever tat we have suffered ourselves to be cheated look for him, she still could not tell; when, in with universal peace and good will. Clara sent ato sacrif- og some bliss, offered us by the the mean while, not only ha Herman Arden out to Whitney's immediately for worsteds and od who : ves us, to some demos whom we fallen in love with her, which sas to have been expected, and not at all e traordinary, but

u aposta nor a pagan; for she went to How such things do hap sin, perhaps the hurch at east once every Sunday, when the people to whom they happen en can seldom teather we fine, and scolded herself very tell exactly; but these two pople really had ard, not t say very justly, out of a prayer. some points in common, and semed at least to ook. On if church, to be sure, she thought have many. Both were very a foantic, to begin nmility a virtue fit only for servants, small with; and he perfectly ag and with her in caders, ar clergymen. Hell, in her creed, as a ver suitable place for dirty, ignorant, of equally rare spiritual be atty. Both had and wicker people, who used bad language, carnest and aspiring natures, carnestly yearning after what presented itse to their minds and right that they should be kept somewhere as the noblest and the best longh neither of at of the way of their betters, or else be burnt them had hitherto discovered t, however, they

illusions, until he could come at the realities ay he was morry, repeat his prayers, and send which they veiled, she hugget her illusions or a clerg sean. As for the possibility of any and stood ready to tear, the taphorically of hing like p mishment for anything she did, ever course, every reality, person, or thing, which soming new her, in this world or the next, she came too near them. She gred the names hever imagined it. Her religion was negative, of patriotism and glory; he the names for it promised to confer upon her mindful of what he considered his duty to his r death, not at all as a favor, but God; and this, and the mode; hope that he nd well carned wages. The doc- was so, gave him an inward parity and dignity aan neighborhood and Christian of life. She was mindful of that she considshe ignored altogether; and, in ered her duty—to herself; to 1 this, and the might hat seen if she had been a respectable purity and dignity of life. Tolike him, she Even when kind to ther companions, she Paarisee', sell-reputed daughter, nineteen hun could be revengeful—but, lile him, never in "felt," that is to say, fancied herself immeas. dred year ago. Her God was the god of bat-

> Then Herman and she liked many of the same pleasures; and people who enjoy them-selves together are apt to like each other—a truism worth the pondering of match-makers. ready to escort her and Clars, on his beautiful bay. He sang well in a duet, and read aloud in, as she was pleased, for want of a glance, into dark places in the "Divina the dismal windows of the Revere House, by Commedia," which had p zzled them for much revolving. ladies as a certain school of writers of in-

while the knight was not fortl ;oming; that Herman loved her with all his I sart, and that she wished that the ruins shoul be manned for her man high in office; and | Herman was so fond of her, and so very e wer and obliging, she believed that she migh-make him the profitable servant of her ambi on, supporting the comparative weakness of l a character by the strength of her own. She and understood that his family, in all its branc es, had always belonged to Slavery. She would with him return to " coo encing to laugh," sailing on boats, in-South Carolina, and there invest all of the ready money she could raise, if spessary, in negroes,

him to Congress, and her seasty and populari the rest. Once in the B juse of Represents

canvas to work two pair of beautiful slippers, one for the praised and one for the praiser. But Constance! Was not she enchanted, too

She was furious-I beg her pardon, indignantand the little scene at the ball was the result. But, then, to do her justice, the news first reached her through one of the partisan newspapers-those licensed false witnesses against their neighbors !- and it wailed its usual dirge, cat-like in its monotony, over the Union, and rang its knell with a bell with Herman's tongue

All through the next day-most unlucky of Fridays—he had not once been near her—for a very good reason. He was correcting and rewriting his speech, from the copious notes which a very rapid reporter had taken of it, that it its spectacles and venting its wrath over. The very first printed copy he destined to be laid before his lady, as the first of many laurels with which he hoped to crown her. She might disagree with his discourse at first upon some minor points—he knew and admired her independent spirit-but she was candid and generous, and could not fail to be pleased at finding countryman, so hearty a zeal for the promotion of the highest welfare of the whole country; and then, if his performance was as elequent and brilliant as some of his other acquaintances told him, how very proud and happy the would be. And how very eloquent and bri's liant it was, he for the first time perceived, as he read; for, as he spoke, the mighty spirit of oratory had leaped upon him, casting up the riches of his whole being from its depths, and carrying tway his self-consciouness as with a

And this man, so full of promise, noble in beauty, loyalty, enterprise, courage, and heroism in the best sense of the word, who loved her as no other ever had, or would or could love, Constance was in the mean time preparing to do her best, or worst, to dishearten, agonize, He was an excellent rider, and always eagerly and alienate, for what I call a girlish whim, were it not that I might thereby seem so disrespectful as to cast an intentional slur on some much better. He read her javorite poets to of the so esteemed most sagacious men among her, as she worked or drew, and taught her to her contemporaries. Her hot temper prevail-"You will have the good less to excuse me, thousand slaveholders for the South. The de sir. Good evening." She swept off to a winnunciations of the South, which she met with of her b ding-school almost as dell and unlove some of his, when interpt_ted by his singuing more and more, hour by hour, over the dow, but there she found herself followed still, by Herman. "What does this mean, Mr. Arden?"

Good heavens, Constance! what does it flamed her pseudo patriotism, and, as a South of the soul of the world which often seemed, as she once told him, "as the condemned him in his absence and for his ment of the really unusual sensation by her beauty, grace, and reputed by her beauty, mean? Do you know what you are doing? ern girl, she considered it incumbent upon her to wealth, slimited number of drawing-rooms, study Italian with her and his sister; and, and her hastily-formed purpose, to discard him You know, you must know, how, what you are, hate the North. If her country would but point in a limit number of cities, was over. At first, though much more ignorant of the language at once and forever, grew and grew, like the indeed, ang men were presented to her by than they at the outset, soc surprised them mammoth snow-balls which she saw the little half der s, wherever she went. But of these, with the light which he could throw, at one schoolboys making in the gray storm before

ladies as a certain school of writers of instructive opular tales, to denominate the sons of successful merchants and professional political merchants and prof acter and mine, but with scorn and insult, with no explanation. Is this worthy of you?"

The color that the smothered vehemence of the color that t week or two with Mr. Aga siz, she perceived believe it was not the first time he had rung it, that the page could not 1, dispensed with, and whirled them off to Mrs. Mydass's.

There Herman had placed himself near the hostess, watching the door of entrance, and at once a prominent position at his Inn, and upon his ideas, I think is clear. That he unthree hundred thousand—should govern it, cas.

a dire, hold its government offices, and fight for the manufacture of the manufa manner. Since it could not be helped, there peared in it, with such an expression of joy, Ten years from the commencement of his law of happiness, and as a commanding position body at any rate, if he meant to get into re who cc. A, some of them at least, have fully who cc. A, some of them at least, have fully fore, the best thing to be do e seemed to be to affection, and hope, just dashed with modest studies, being then thirty years of age, he was whence the world could be brought within the spectable practice. Mary was a handsome studies, being then thirty years of age, he was whence the world could be brought within the spectable practice. Mary was a handsome studies, being then thirty years of age, he was whence the world could be brought within the spectable practice. He also shrewd, showy girl, active and cheerful, and appressed her wit and fancy, and amply repaid to be to get the page knighted. I plainer English, with their cwn humor and sagacity, paid to with their cwn humor and sagacity, though she had now been two sears out of school. God and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd, showy girl, active and cheerful, and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd, showy girl, active and cheerful, and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd, showy girl, active and cheerful, and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd, showy girl, active and cheerful, and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd, shown girl, active and cheerful, and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd and humble herself before Him in the search of the page knighted. I plainer English, doubt, as should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also shrewd and her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also should have made her thank her influence of his ideas, is also clear. He also should have made her thank her influence her influence her influence her influence her in though she had now been two gears out of school, God, and humble herself before Him in the ry," an honor till then never conferred upon deemed such position essential, deemed success r first shyness had been charmed away and the original castle had been a good deal presence of her great happiness; when she any member of the profession. these low-born youths were set down the habit of the habi Then, following that strange blind instinct of by a helpmeet, who should & least be a states- our nature, which makes us, when evil threatens, greedy of the worst—which makes the young his parliamentary speaking, or to both. "There wife look up into the face of the messenger who has come to tell her that she is a widow, and cry, "Don't tell me he is sick! say he is dead!" though she dies of the news-Herman, like Samson, had bowed himself, and pulled his fate down instantly upon his own grand head, unlonged to that wing of the Whig party which be shorn though crushed. He had offered her his hand, and for the first time, in words, all the wealth of his manhood and his love. The offering was rejected, as, under the circumstances, of which she believed that the must already have only an added affront; and just there, and then,

ublic administrator of St. Louis; and since his nomination on the Buchanan ticket is quite likely to insure his defeat, he issues a card for the purpose of counteracting the effect of the agir par sa main, grandir dans son sort, briller sous son nom, c'était la seule ambition que lui fut, permise ambition tendre et devouée qui les where ambition tendre et devouée qui les where ambition tendre et devouée qui les where a start less parts and then let the sentiment that we must support by his maiden sister. Thus the procession to those studies in which he longed to engage, latt rash assertion is not founded on fact.

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Por the National Era. DUDLEY A. TYNG. He was not perfect; he committed one deep grave ful error."—Dr. Cummins's Sermon, as reported in the

"Not perfect;" one of Adam's race Sharing the shadow of the Fall, But sanctified by Jesus' grace, The one atonement made for all. He claimed no perfectness but this—

"Not perfect; " though to us it seemed Though, as we gazed on him, we deemed That only immortality. Buffling decay's relentless power, "Not perfect;" we, to whom his prayers

Lifting us up, from griefs and cares. Know how he pleaded to be free From all of man's infirmity. It; fondly, proudly as we loved

Him, he himself had blamed Our folly, and the thought reproved He lived as one who felt his share Of ill, still " watching unto prayer.") "Not perfect;" yet, if those who seek To show him but of mortal birth, (Which none e'er doubted,) can but speak Of that which proves his highest worth,

If "the one error" of his life
Was to be first in Freedom's strife, Then he was perfect. Fearlessly We fling our gauntlet to the world he had no fault but to be A standard-bearer in the van Of those who fight for God and man.

We ask no better eulogy For him, who needs no mortal's praise Than his own so.emn words will be Henceforth, throughout all coming days, That caim, grave protest against wrong, Never repented of, life-long.

Thank God! of all his brief, bright life Least of all, that, in boly strife, Flung out the banner of the Free And battled well for Liberty. "Not perfect;" yet, no meaner goal

Than perfectness could satisfy
His glorious mind, his lofty soul;
And so, God called him to the sky. He-God be thunked-is" perfect" now. Mt. Holly, June 5, 1858.

For the National Era LORD BACON AND THE OLD METHOD. The study of the law, then more repulsiv

than now, was little to the taste of the young

philosopher. He hence eargerly sought for might as soon as possible be laid fairly, and in an appointment under the Crown, and made fair type, before the public, in the place of the pressing application to his kineman, Lord and incoherent or garbled and spiteful extracts and Lady Burleigh, but was rebuffed by the Lord motives variously given. Mr. Montagu attributes the rejection to consideration for the real interests of the applicant, while Bacon himself regarded it as prompted by jealousy of his admitted genius. Thus failing at Court, he was driven to the law, and in 1580 entered himself student at Guy's Inn. For some two years Bacon devoted himself to the study and practice great enemy, Lord Coke, yet he was in the better sense a great lawyer. His legal treatises upon the foundation of law would alone have given him a reputation. Coke pronounced him superficial, and the Queen was of opinion, that though he possessed great wit and learning, he was not deep in the law. But the opinion of neither on this subject is any disparagement. The common law at that day could hardly be deemed a rational science. The triangular strug gles between the aristocracy, the church, and the courts, had been the cause or occasion of so many fictions to evade mortmains, entails, &c., as, combined with the fashionable scholas ticism, had formed an ill-shapen and repulsive jurisprudence. We are bound to believe that the law was then, as now, "the perfection o reason;" yet its reasoning was so artificial, that disputed points were decided rather upon some quirk of logic, than upon common-sense principles. 'Tis true, the soul of Liberty breathed through the cumbrous body, yet it was like the soul of an enchanted Beauty in some monster whose ugliness hides the fair being from the eyes of the uninitiated. Mansfield had not worn the robe; the commercial law was a stranger to Westminster. Judges had not learned to adopt in the hearing of causes rules of universal justice. trying by them all doubtful precedents. They had not-have they yet?-established the law as a science, the science of right, progressive with the ever-changing relations of man, immutable only in its object. But this is not the work of a generation-hardly of an age. Much has been done since Bacon's day-the work is still progressing. The young lawyer must have looked upon branches of the law in which the gnarled mind of Coke delighted, as he did upon the wranglings of the schools; and doubtless, as some Barrister Dry-as-dust threw across his path some unnoted distinction from Bracton or Fleta, one which would ever 'es-

irreverence for such mere excrescences.

Of Bacon's manner at the bar we have no exact record. The following oft-quoted description of his eloquence, by the celebrated Ben happened," says he, " in my time, one noble speaker, who was full of gravity in his speaking; his language, when he could spare or pass powers can hardly be called superficial, though coveted pursuits. others were probably better versed in the tech- The loyalty of the times, and I may add of worthy rector and his lady; and, lastly, Mr. nics and artificial subtilties of the profession. all times, seemed to justify his course. I relits owner, a sturdy old

the Attorney Generalship and Solicitorship, obligation to withdraw all attachment to the and failing in this, presented Bacon the Twick enemy of the State, or of public liberty. erham estate, and ever manifested for him the most considerate regard. Like his tather inlaw, Leicester, Essex was the Queen's favorite; but while she loved to honor him, she was jealous of her own authority, and his patronage month of June, the pretty little village of Alder field was all astir, two or three gigs and other was but a weak passport to her favor. So Ba- vehicles were already drawn from their respectcon profited little with Elizabeth from his friendship, and the connection between them

traordinary favors, and regulated his conduct, for the last ten days at least. To be sufe, only not by his own caprices and wild ambition, but a select few of the villagers were invited, but vice of his friend Bacon, his would have continued the highest position at Court. But having been deservedly placed "under a cloud" for failure, if not between lof the movements of these who were.

Mrs. Weatherhill, the promoter of the present failure, if not betrayal, of the most important festivity, was generally considered by herself trusts—trusts committed to him by Elizabeth and others as the principal personage in Alder against the advice of the Cabinet, trusts which Bacon vainly labored to dissuade him from ac-Bacon vainly labored to dissuade him from accepting—he affected the air of injured innocence, ber dress the most fashionable, and her barouche now fretted with the impatience of a spoiled the only one in the village. She had no chil pet as he was, now humbled himself for a re. dren, and was not in the least impeded in the newal of an odious monopoly, and, failing, rail- who seldom spoke at all, and when he attempt ed against his mistress as "an old woman no less crooked in mind than in body," and now lady. His own fortune was small; she had entered into a treasonable conspiracy to seize inherited a large one at an early age; and the Queen and strongholds of London, and rule either in her name or without her. Thus he brought ruin upon his own head, and well nigh dom of will. upon the heads of his friends. During the whole period of Essex's estrangement, from his forty five or thereabouts, with a pleasant voice recklessness and disobedience in Ireland to the tier to a most capricious sovereign, to save him and restore him to favor. He watched every even went so far, having ascertained the peculiar state of Elizabeth's temper, as to dictate

believing that he retained his place in the piated his offences on the scaffold, Bacon showed him as much countenance as was entirely con. sistent with his own safety, convenience, and warrant these base insinuations. His endeavors were praiseworthy and persistentand why asperse the motive? It would be unparliamentary where men may speak with impunity, it would be libellous elsewhere; and shall the great dead alone be unprotected? The truth is, Bacon was assiduous in his enhis offended Sovereign; and it was not till the Earl's blind and criminal rashness rendered his destruction certain, that it became neceswith high political prospects, and ruin, not to serve, but, himself innecent, to fall with a guilty benefactor. I admit that the fact that Bacon appeared

as the presecutor of his fallen though guilty friend, has an ugly look; and especially that he subsequently loaned his pen to justify the practice. Its dradgery and details were doubt- promotion. But it is not hence necessary to less irksome, and seemed paltry, compared to suppose him the "meanest of mankind," That his higher aims; and he continued poor. Yet, he was a man rather of ideas than deep affect very different girl from Lucy; but she wou in a sense, he met with great success. He took tions, or rather that his affections were centred deemed such position essential, deemed success in his political career essential to his success as a philosopher. This we can scarcely compre or rather was to have, a thousand pounds, the hend, and Macaulay and Campbell evidently give him little credit for the claim. And yet. Johnson, may refer to his professional efforts or with his habits and associations from childhood, I do not suppose Bacon could have prosecuted his studies with the surroundings of a poor scholar, more than most poor scholars could had also some property independent of his profollow their pursuits in a palace. And, besides, fession; and the match seemed in every way scholar, more than most poor scholars could by a jest, was nobly censorious. No man the successful practice of the law is incompati ever spake more neatly, more properly, more ble with the pursuits of literature and philosoweightily, or suffered less emptiness, less idleness, in what he uttered: no member of his speech but consisted of its own graces. His devotion must be the more assiduous. Of all bling, had arrived, and Mrs. Weatherhill's bahearers could not cough or look aside from lovers, he most clearly realizes that the coy are rouche was at the door, and Mr. Weatherhill hearers could not cough or look aside from lovers, he most clearly realizes that the coy are safely bestowed in one corner of it. Then the him without loss: he commanded when he not won by divided attention. I have known young ladies took their places, and Mrs. Weathspoke, and had his judges angry and pleased men of philosophic or literary tastes, who at at his devotion. No man had their affections the bar dared steal no time for its indulgence, stocked baskets and hampers, and sundry cloaks more in his power: the fear of every man that yet in a judicial position, and with apparently heard him was, lest he should make an end." double the labor on their hands, have succeed This is high praise, and the possessor of such ed in both their public duties and in their more father, mother, and three or four grown-up

from about the year 1590 Bacon seems to have ministration—right or wrong. It is now justly directed his energies to securing political pre- deemed slavish, and inconsistent with our ferment. The reviewers and popular biogra- higher obligations of justice, to God. But then phere, determined to find a mean motive for it was patriotism, and its denial treason. The every act, give no credit to his avowed object- Throne or the Commonwealth knew no rivalry to relieve himself from emberrassment, and in the devotions of the faithful. A Socrates gain opportunity for study. I admit that in could willingly yield up his life to a faction able this pursuit he was not always-who is?-man- to call itself Athens. A Brutus, in obedience ly. Like a true courtier, he abased himself to the State, could condemn to death his own before an almost absolute Throne. He humbly son. A Cranmer, in purifying the church sought pardon of the Queen for an elequent whose first bishops were but fishermen, could appeal in Parliament against a demand for find no head for that purified church so meet taxation, abandoned the then untried path of as a licentious and bloody King. Misguided popularity, and in politics showed himself the patriotism or loyalty is the grave of personal true child of the age and the circumstances independence and public liberty. Yet was it which had always surrounded him. The Eng. the deity of all, and he who could expose the lish constitution was yet in its swaddling clothes, mysterious shallows of a revered philosophy. and Hampden had not lived. As if conscious bowed to the common idol. So loyal was his that his position was not justified by philoso whole being, that when accepting those gifts of phy, he calls it a necessary "stooping to occa- Essex which he is condemned for so requiting, he happily alluded to the feudal obligations, and Yet, with all Bacon's humility, the Queen said: "My Lord, I see I must be your homaonly smiled : her hand was empty. His position ger, and hold land of your gift; but do you of Counsellor, &c., was honorable, but without know the manner of doing homage in law profit. It was not the "prize and reward" he Always it is with a saving of his faith to the seeded. The Court at this time was divided King and his other Lords." To illustrate the into two factions one headed by the Cecils, capriciousness of human judgment as to a suband the other by the Earl of Essex. Repudia ject's duties, I can but notice the fact, that ted by the former, Bacon allied himself to the Macaulay, so severe upon Bacon, does not hesi latter, and the euthusiastic Earl, able to appre- tate to condemn the continued affection and ciate genius, became his most ardent patron gratitude of William Penn towards his friend and friend. He prosecuted his application for and benefactor, the exiled James, implying the

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MATCH-MAKING.

Early in a beautiful morning in the lovely became memorable only from its unfortunate upper window, and was almost instautly with drawn, irradiated with a smile of pleasure at Essex was a generous, rash, and unprincipled might peaceful little Alderfield be awake and man. Had he studied the character of his alive, for this was the appointed day for Mr. man. Had he studied the character of his weatherhill's picnic party, which had formed the theme of the village gossip and conjecture but the rules of common prudence and the ad | those who were out were naturally anxious to know who were in, and those who were not

field, inasmuch as she possessed an independent property, and decidedly took the lead in socieexercise of her will by a little, fat, gouty husband, why she had married Mr. Weatherhill, nobody could surmise, unless it was to show her entire independence of opinion, and her perfect free

She was a stout but very comely dame of

and smile, a merry laugh, and a manner pecu liarly attractive from its warmth and heartiness sometimes not over judicious in their character "What did the girls go from home for, but t opportunity to extenuate his follies, soothe the as if home were a place destitute of enjoyments pride of Elizabeth, and revive her affection. He instead of forming the centre of the very best and purest pleasures. So, when she had young friends staying with her, which was very fre letters adapted to that state, to be sent her by
Essex, and would have succeeded in his restoration, but for his own continued follies and suit of pleasure as so much lost time. What with parties at home and abroad, by land and by water, drives to the country town, and visits I am surprised to find Lord Campbell as-persing Bacon's motive for these endeavors. by water, drives to the country town, and visits to every exhibition that might happen to be stationed there, she contrived to keep her guests He says, "Bacon stuck by him as a defender in a very undesirable state of excitement from their arrival to their daparture. At the time Queen's heart, and that he would yet have the disposal of the patronage of the Crows;" and again, "I most eagerly admit that now, and Abbey, a fine old ruin some seven or eight miles down to the hour when the unhappy youth ex. from Alderfield. A very wet season had marred several previous projects of the kind, therefore Mrs. Weatherhill and her invited guests looked forward with no little anxiety to the hope of advancement." There is nothing to interest. Great was the joy of all concerned when a cloudless morning gave promise of some hours of equally cloudless enjoymen, Weatherhill had private reasons, also, for wish ing her plan to prosper. She considered this party of much greater importance than as a more matter of amusement, and had anxieties and hopes on the subject, as yet only known to deavors to save his friend, as well from his mischievous and unwarrantable interference in hot-brained self and insane advisers, as from the affairs of others, called match-making, and she hoped on this occasion to lay the founda tions of two marriages, at least. Two gentle to her precisely suited to her young guests, who sary to choose between his duty to the State, were neither of them, as far as she knew, preengaged; and so far from suspecting that there was anything improper in her designs, she gave eligible unions. She was sure Arthur Bonning ton must want a wife. He must be dreadfully lonely in his rumbling old house, with nothing but his books to amuse him, and, with his large fortune, it was a burning shame that he did cape a philosophical thinker, he would scan. he subsequently loaned his pen to justify the not marry. Could any woman be found more dalize the owls and bats of the profession, by his Queen's severity. It would have been more sure to suit him than Lucy Austin, who was chivalrous, more generous, had he rather re- as quiet and almost as fond of books as him Bacon seems not to have taken well to the signed his place, rather gave up all hope of supposing she had no fortune, what could that signify to a man so wealthy as Mr. Bonning

Mary Granby, her other protege, was a therefore be more likely to please the fancy of legacy of her godmother, but at present in her father's hands; he having been executor to the old lady in question. Mrs. Weatherhill, who, no one knew how, had a very intimate knowledge of the private affairs of all her acquaintances, was aware that Mr. Scarborough so equal, that she thought it would be an act ual sin not to try to bring it about. Anxiously, therefore, did the "foundress of the feast anticipate her picnic to Ilston.

and umbrellas, packed into a light cart, which was to attend them to the abbey. Then came a family jaunting car, with its family load daughters; then Dr. Derwent's gig, bearing the Sanderson, the attorney's, vehicle, occupied by to those studies in which he longed to engage, our country-meaning the measures of ad- moved off, but did not by any means include the